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In re Patent Application of:) Confirmation No.: 5047
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Application No. 10/757,459) Examiner: Phu Vu
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For: LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY DEVICE AND) Allowed: June 12, 2009
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. No copy of the U.S. Patent documents have been supplied with this Information Disclosure Statement in accordance with the Official Gazette Notice dated August 5, 2003. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the other documents cited is enclosed.

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Applicants wish to note that JP 2002-318378, JP 2001-117105 and JP 09-026578 were cited in an Office Action mailed June 16, 2009 in a corresponding family application pending in a counterpart Japanese Patent Application. Further, Applicants wish to note that CN-1321911 was cited in an Office Action mailed April 10, 2009 in a corresponding Chinese

Patent Application. In addition, U.S. Patent No. 6,671,030 is in the same family as CN-1321911 but was not included in the Communication from the Japanese Patent Office. Further, U.S. Patent No. 6,671,030 was cited in a previous Office Action.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial a copy of this form and return it to the undersigned.

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